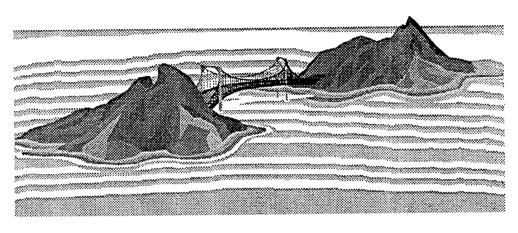
## Creating an Island of Stability in an Ocean of Change



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# THE PARADIGM SINFT

## MECHANIC<sup>\</sup> L vG≤

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Standardization

Replaceable Parts

Hierarchies

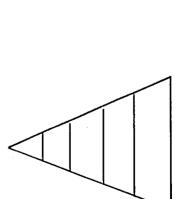
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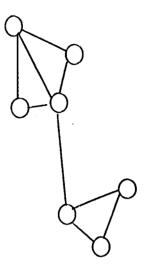
Customization

Unique Abilities

Networks

Flexible Connections





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#### THE CHANGING RELATIONSHIPS

MECHANICAL AGE (Predictable Environment)	INFORMATION AGE (Dynamic Environment)
/RESPONSIBILITY	
Positionally Defined	Personal Empowerment
AUTHORITY	
Delegated from Above	Contextual or Changing
DECISION-MAKING	
Positionally Defined	Seek Buy-in from Others
May Seek Advisement from Others	Group involvement - Research & Advise

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# LIVING WITH PARA DOX

Do More

Centralize

Downsize

Maintain

Take Risks

Act Short Term

Individualize

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Internal Focus

Spend Less

Decentralize

Value People

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Think Long Term

Institutional ze

Stabilize

**External Focus** 

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# PARADOX SOLUTIONS #1

Leaving the world of either/or thinking......

Both/and thinking.....

Best-of-both thinking....

Expand the concept in time and/or space.....

Neither/nor ... ing....

Adapted from Peter Stroh and Wynne W. Miller's "Learning to Thrive on Paradox"

# PAR200X SOLUTIO™S #2

Be sure to do ALL of the following....

Gather the FACTS

Brainstorm the PcSSIBILITIES

Assess the possible CCNS≲QUENCES

Consider the IMPACT ON PEOPLE

Adapted from the Zig Zag Model of Jungian Functions

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### WORKING WITHIN YOUR INSTITUTION

What is the purpose of the institution?

- ....as seen by the Board of Trustees
- ....as seen by the Administration
- ....as seen by the Faculty
- ....as seen by the Students
- ....as seen by Academic Counseling
- .,. .as seen by Career Counseling

Are there conflicts in the PERSPECTIVES?

Is there a shared VISION?

### CONFLICTING PERSPECTIVES OF STUDENTS AND THE JOB MARKET

#### **STUDENT**

Liberal Arts Generalist OR
Technical Specialist

Impatient to Make an Impact

Youthful Idealism

Desire Meaningful Work

Want High Salary

Degree = Finished with Education

#### JOB MARKET

Ability to Perform AND

Adapt to Job Requirements

Pay Your Dues; Wait
Your Turn

Experience Untested

Opportunities Tied to
Bottom Line

Cost-Cutting Trends/
Downsizing

Keep Skills Current;
Lifelong Learning

# APPLYING THE FOUR STRATEGIES OF CAREER MANDGEMENT

STA3L & OR GROWTH TIMES

CHANGING OR DOWNSIZING TIMES

Up the Ladder
Power
Achievement

Spiral Growth Creativity



Steady State
Expertise
Security

Transitory Variety Independence

Adapted from the Driver-Brousseau Career Concepts Model

### BALANCING COMPETING SOCIAL ARCHETYPES

#### **SECURITY ISSUES**

**ORPHAN** 

INNOCENT

Pessimistic
Anticipates Problems

Optimistic
Oblivious to Change

#### **SELF-ACTUALIZATION ISSUES**

#### **DESTROYER**

Cleans House for Efficiency
Oblivious to Human Cost

#### **CREATOR**

Creates New Forms
Always Has to Be New

### CREATING YOUR ISLAND OF STABILITY'??' IN AN OCEAN OF CHANGE

- Know the different ASSUMPTIONS between the:
   Mechanical Age Information Age.
- Apply different STYLES OF THINKING: both/and or best-of-both neither/nor expand the concept in time and/or space
- D o a COMPLETE CHECK when problem-solving:
   gather facts
   brainstorm possibilities
   assess consequences
   consider impact on people
- Review differing PERSPECTIVES to find the shared VISION
- Be abie to apply the FOUR STRATEGIES of career management
- Seek to BALANCE conflicting issues and archetypes.

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